# Enhancing ICANN Accountability
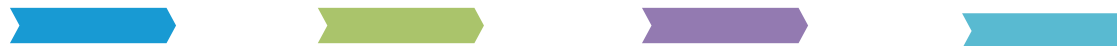
# CCWG-Accountability

## Problem Statement

➢ During discussions around the IANA functions stewardship transition the community raised the broader topic of the impact of the change on ICANN's accountability

➢ Concerns raised indicated that the existing ICANN accountability mechanisms do not yet meet stakeholder expectations.

## Scope

➢ Ensure that ICANN enhances its existing accountability in the absence of its historical contractual relationship with the U.S. Government

➢ Investigate accountability mechanisms regarding all of the functions provided by ICANN

➢ Deliver proposals that would enhance ICANN's accountability towards all stakeholders

## Work Streams

The group's work is divided into two work streams:

➢ Work Stream 1: focused on identifying mechanisms that must be in place or committed to within the timeframe of the IANA Stewardship Transition

➢ Work Stream 2: focused on addressing accountability topics for which a timeline for developing solutions and full implementation may extend beyond the IANA Stewardship Transition

# CCWG-Accountability Statistics

**There are currently 161 people in the Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability (CCWG-Accountability):**

**25 Members**
Chartering organization-appointed members

**136 Participants**
Actively contribute to mailing list conversations and meetings

**38 Mailing List Observers**
Read-only access to mailing list

## Regional Representation
- 39 North America
- 36 Europe
- 32 Asia/Asia Pacific
- 27 (not specified)
- 18 Africa
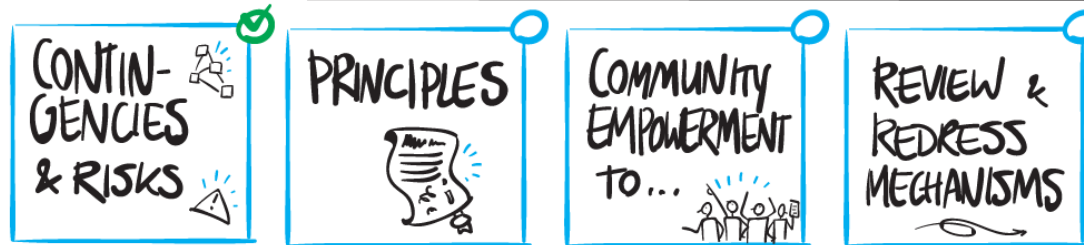- 9 Latin America

## Stakeholder Group Representation:
- 61 (no affiliation)
- 40 GNSO
- 25 GAC
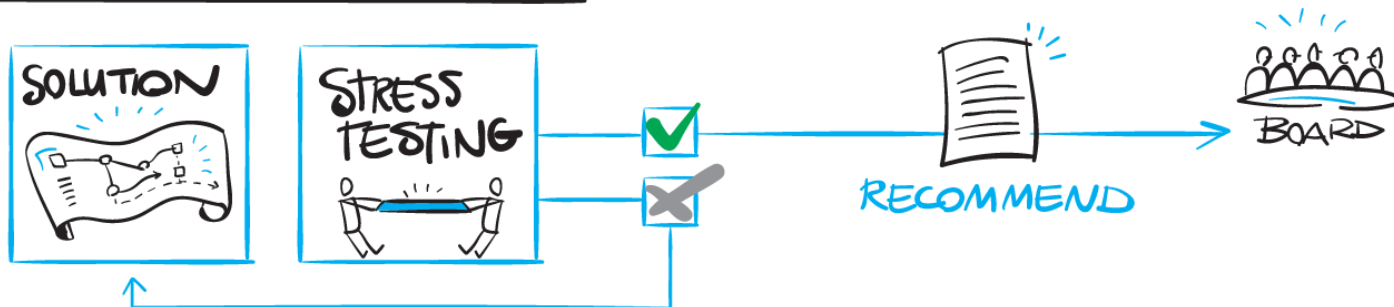- 20 ALAC
- 11 ccNSO/ccTLD
- 4 ASO

# Storyboard of CCWG



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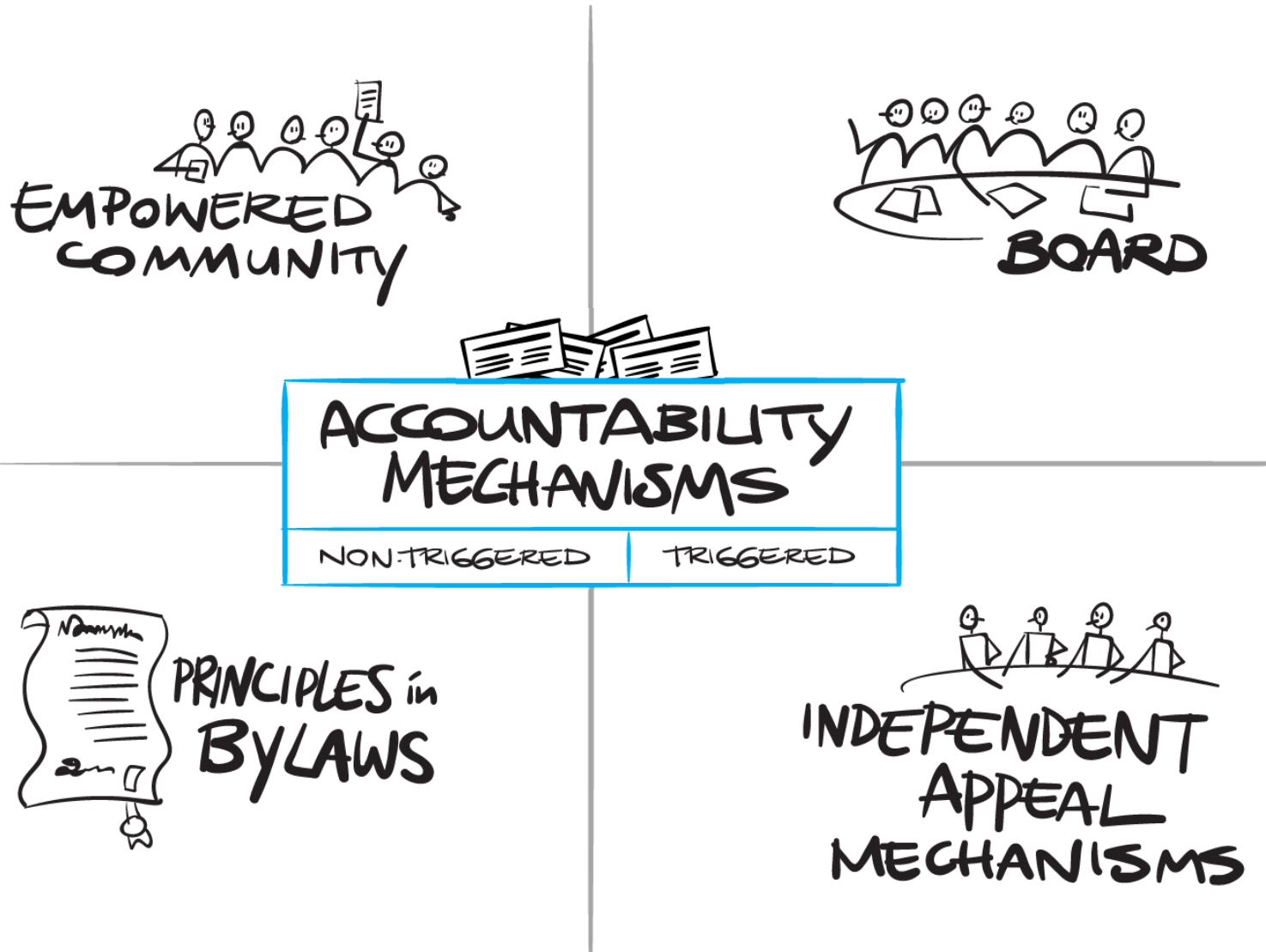INVENTORY of EXISTING ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISMS ✓

REVIEW INPUT of the COMMUNITY ✓

② DEFINE REQUIREMENTS

CONTIN-GENCIES & RISKS ✓

PRINCIPLES

COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT TO...

REVIEW & REDRESS MECHANISMS

③ ENVISION SOLUTION

SOLUTION

STRESS TESTING

RECOMMEND

BOARD

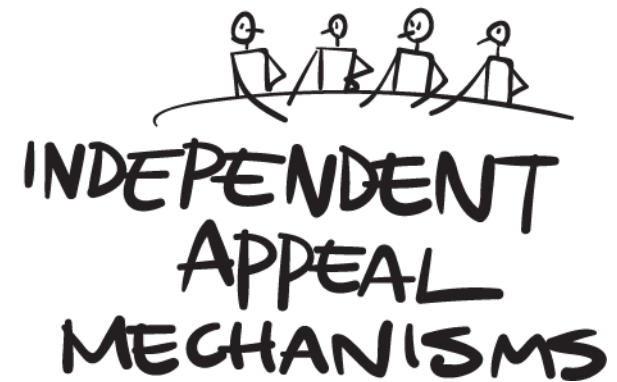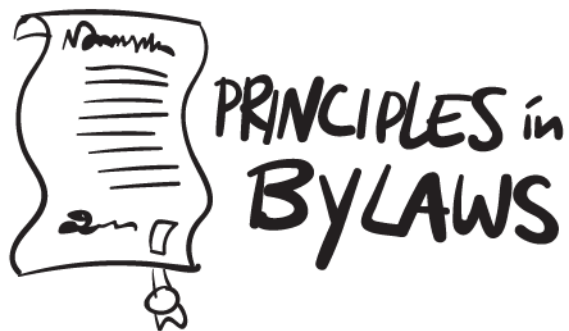# Key components

ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM. ✳

- Power(s) that it would enable to exercise
- Standing to invoke
- Standard of review
- Composition of decision-making body
- Decision making process
- Accessibility
- Potential means and time to implement

EMPOWERED COMMUNITY



BOARD



PRINCIPLES in BYLAWS



INDEPENDENT APPEAL MECHANISMS

# Follow our Activities!

For more information on scope and membership, to view CCWG-Accountability drafts, activities, to read/listen to meeting archives

## Enhancing ICANN Accountability Wiki

**https://community.icann.org/category/accountability**